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TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$52	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$210	\$ 0
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$370	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	<input type="checkbox"/> 1st Month \$120	<input type="checkbox"/> 2nd Month \$460	<input type="checkbox"/> 3rd Month \$1050	<input type="checkbox"/> 4th Month \$1640		\$ 0
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Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 12, 2007, Applicant elects Species I, claims 1-16 for prosecution with traverse. Claims to be restricted to different species must be mutually exclusive. MPEP § 806.04(f). The general test as to when claims are restricted, respectively, to different species is the fact that one claim recites limitations which under the disclosure are found in a first species but not in a second, while a second claim recites limitations disclosed only for the second species and not the first. *Id.* Applicant respectfully contends that claim 6 is not mutually exclusive to claims 17-20 of Species 2. In particular, Applicant notes that the limitations of independent method claim 6 are incorporated in the computer-readable instructions stored on the computer usable medium of claim 17. Therefore, in accordance with MPEP § 806.04(f), Applicant contends that it is also entitled to examination of these claims as their restriction from the claims of Species 1 is improper.

In view of the above, Applicant contends that it is entitled to examination of claims 1-20, as claims of the various species identified by the Examiner, although directed to subject matter of different scope, contain common subject matter and are therefore not mutually exclusive.

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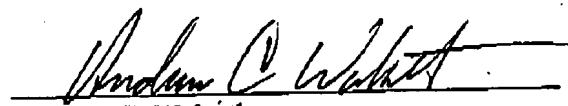
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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representative at (612) 312-2207 if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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